**Training and exhibition to popularise non-conventional Energy sources**

†858. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government have organised any training progrmmes and exhibitions in the State of Bihar for popularization of Non-Conventional Energy in the field of solar and wind energy;

(b) if so, when such training programmes and exhibitions were organised alongwith the places where the same were conducted;

(c) whether there is any proposal to reorganize such exhibitions and training programmes in Bihar this year;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M.KANNAPPAN): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources, Government of India through Bihar Renewable Energy Development Agency and its Regional Office located at Patna has been supporting the exhibitions being held in Bihar for popularization of non-conventional energy sources including solar and wind energy. The details of various exhibitions and training programmes organized in the State of Bihar are given at Statement (enclosed) *(See* below).

Besides a Mobile Exhibition Van equipped with different new and renewable energy systems and devices has already been provided for dissemination of information and making awareness among the masses in different villages, school, colleges and institutions. Further, the Ministry under its Solar Thermal Energy Programme has made provisions for providing financial support for the organisation of upto three training and awareness promotion programmes of one day duration in each State including Bihar during the current financial year.

(e) Does not arise.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

***Statement***

*The details of various exhibitions and Training Programmes organised in the State of Bihar*

**(A) Participation in Exhibition/Mela in year 2002-03**

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| 1. | Tourism & Trade Fair Mart 2002 | · Gandhi Maidan, Patna (21.12.02 to 03.01.03) |
| 2. | EXPO Bihar 2002 | · Milar School Ground, (06.12.02. to 16.12.02) Patna |
| 3. | Maha Shivratri Mela | · Singeshwar Sthan (01.12.02 to 15.12.02) Distt. Madhepura |
| 4. | Mandar Mahotsav | · Baunsi, Distt. Banka (14.01.03 to 21.01.03) |

**(B) Participation in Exhibition /Mela in year 2003-04**

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| 1. | Workshop on Renewable Energy | · Polytechnic School, (15th to 16th Nov., 2003) Patna |
| 2. | Hariharkshetra Mela | · Sonepur, Saran (07.11.03 to 01.12.03) Patna |
| 3. | Maha Shivratri Mela | · Singheshwar, Tentative date Distt. Madhepura January, 2004 |

**(C) Training on Biogas**

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| (1) | 2001-02 | · Nil |
| (2) | 2002-03 | · 11 (Eleven) Nos. Users Training |

**(D) Training on Improved Chulha**

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| (1) | 2001-02 | · 1 (One) No. Self Employed Worker |
| (2) | 2002-03 | · Nil |